

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph bridging pages 87 and 88 as follows:

In some methods of the present invention, protein databases are employed after putative antigenic regions in a particular protein are identified. A region is then compared with a database containing protein sequences from the organism in which a lower immune response against the region is desired. A number of such databases exist both commercially and publically, including GenBank, GenPept, SwissProt, PIR, PRF, PDB, all of which are available from the National Center for Biotechnology Information website ([http://www.world wide web at ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/](http://www.worldwideweb.at.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/)).